COLUMBIA RIVER COMPACT/JOINT STATE ACTION NOTICE

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

October 7, 2015

THE FOLLOWING SEASON WAS SET:

2015 Non-Indian Commercial Salmon Fishery	
Season #1:	8 PM Thursday October 8 to 6 AM Friday October 9 (10 hours)
Area:	Zones 1-5
Gear:	Drift nets only. 8-inch minimum mesh.
Season #2:	6:00 AM to 6:00 PM Monday October 12 (12 hours)
Area:	Zones 1-3. Upper deadline defined as a straight line projected from the Warrior Rock Lighthouse on the Oregon shore easterly through the green navigation Buoy #1 and continuing to the Washington shore
Gear:	Drift nets only. 6-inch maximum mesh. Unslackened floater drift net.
Applies to both seasons:	
Sanctuaries:	Elokomin-A, Cowlitz River, Kalama-A and Lewis-A, Washougal and Sandy
Allowable Sales:	Coho, Chinook, Pink, and Sockeye salmon and shad.
Additional Rules:	Multiple net rule in effect : Nets not specifically authorized for use in this fishery may be onboard the vessel if properly stored. A properly stored net is defined as a net on a drum that is fully covered by a tarp (canvas or plastic) and bound with a minimum of ten revolutions of rope with a diameter of 3/8 (0.375) inches or greater.
	Lighted Buoys: Nets fished at any time between official sunset and official sunrise must have lighted buoys on both ends of the net unless the net is attached to the boat. If the net is attached to the boat, then a lighted buoy on the opposite end of the net is required
	24-hour quick reporting required for Washington buyers per WAC 220-69-240.
	Electronic submission of fish receiving tickets required for Oregon buyers pursuant to OAR 635-006-0210

Washington Quick Report requirements:

Submission of a Quick Report is not complete until the report arrives at the designated department location. Reports can be made via fax at 360-906-6776 or 360-906-6777; via e-mail at crfishtickets@dfw.wa.gov; or via phone at 1- 866-791-1281.

Faxing or reporting electronically in portable document format (PDF) a copy of each fish receiving ticket used, within the previously indicated time frames specified per area, satisfies the quick reporting requirement.

 The Joint staff will recommend additional hearings as needed, which will likely be early next week